

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : John Panzer Art Unit : 2446  
Serial No. : 10/747,677 Examiner : Shaq Taha  
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Notice of Allowance Date: March 3, 2009  
Title : ENABLING ELECTRONIC LOGGING USING AN INSTANT MESSAGE  
SYSTEM

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## COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicant thanks Examiner Taha for the Notice of Allowance indicating that claims 1-62 are allowable and for the reasons for allowance articulated therein.

In addressing the allowance of independent claim 1, the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance paraphrases certain features recited in independent claim 1 and indicates that such features are found in applicant's specification at page 3, lines 17-21. While various of these features may be described in applicant's specification at page 3, lines 17-21, applicant notes that such features also may be described elsewhere throughout applicant's specification.

Furthermore, applicant notes that, while the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance addresses the allowance of independent claim 1, no reasons for allowance are stated for independent claims 20, 26, 30, 34, 48, 51, and 54, which are, and which were found to be, allowable on their own merits.

To the extent that the stated reasons for allowance characterize any of the allowed claims in a manner that differs from the language actually recited in the allowed claims, applicant does not acquiesce to such characterizations. Rather, applicant submits that it is the language actually recited in the claims that defines the metes and bounds of the claims.

Lastly, applicant does not concede that the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance are the only reasons for which the claims are allowable as the claims may be allowable for other reasons.

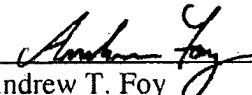
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Respectfully submitted,

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